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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 27 February 2009.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-21 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-21 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments, see Remark, filed 02/27/2009, with respect to the rejection(s) of claim(s) 1-21 under 103(a), and 103 (a) have been fully considered and are persuasive. Therefore, the rejection has been withdrawn. However, upon further consideration, a new ground(s) of rejection is made in view of Chandrashekhar (US 2003/0140131), and Virtanen (US 6,879,834).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

3. **Claims 1-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chandrashekhar (US 2003/0140131) in view of Virtanen (US 6,879,834).**

Regarding claims 1, 8 and 15, Chandrashekhar teaches for use in a wireless network (Figure #16, Wireless Network), a method of providing quality-of-service (QoS) functions to a mobile station accessing the wireless network (QoS functions, [0031-0032]), the method comprising the steps of: receiving from the mobile station a packet data call initiation signal (Mobile Device connected to Network, Fig. #16, [0108-0112]);

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sending an authorization request corresponding to the mobile station (End-user request to a network element, [0030-0034]); receiving an authorization message [0030-0034] and quality-of-service profile corresponding to the mobile station (End-user accessed service, [0030-0034], QoS profile, [0085]); receiving application information corresponding to the mobile station [0030-0031]; and

But Chandrashekhar does not explicitly teach determining quality-of-service parameters according to the quality-of-service profile and the application information, wherein the mobile station thereafter communicates according to the quality-of-service parameters.

However, Virtanen teaches determining quality-of-service parameters according to the quality-of-service profile (Col. 5, line 14 to Col. 6, line 6) and the application information (Customized Applications for Mobile Network, Col. 7, lines 1-21), wherein the mobile station thereafter communicates according to the quality-of-service parameters (Col. 2, line 40 to Col. 3, line 24), and (Col. 5, line 14 to Col. 6, line 6).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Chandrashekhar, with Virtanen's teaching, in order to provide the mobile user that desired quality of the transmission connection from one network to the different network resources for saving cost and/or for maximizing value of quality of service parameter.

Regarding claim 2, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the method of claim 1, wherein the packet data call initiation signal is received in a base station controller (BTS Col. 3, lines 46-52) of Virtanen.

Regarding claim 3, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the method of claim 1, wherein the quality-of-service profile is stored on an authorization server (Fig. #3, Authentication Server #45, [0038-0041]) of Chandrashekhar, and (Service from the network operator=server, Col. 1, lines 37-67) of Virtanen.

Regarding claim 4, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the method of claim 1, wherein the quality-of-service parameters are sent to a packet data serving node (Fig. #1, Packet-switched, or route data, Col. 1, lines 37-67, Col. 3, lines 46-67) of Virtanen.

Regarding claim 5, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the method of claim 1, wherein the application information includes an application data class (Quality of service of data transmission based on service parameters and protocols (Col. 1, lines 8-14, Col. 4, lines 4-29) of Virtanen.

Regarding claim 6, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the method of claim 1, wherein the quality-of-service profile includes delay, maximum data rate, and data loss rate information (Col. 5, lines 14-28) of Virtanen.

Regarding claim 7, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the method of claim 1, wherein quality-of-service parameters are determined by a quality-of-service control component (See BTS controller, Col. 1, lines 37-67) of Virtanen.

Regarding claim 9, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the call management system of claim 8, wherein the QoS controller is a part of a base station controller (See BTS controller, Col. 1, lines 37-67) of Virtanen.

Regarding claim 10, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the call management system of claim 8, wherein the quality-of-service profile is stored on an authorization server (Fig. #3, Authentication Server #45, [0038-0041]) of Chandrashekhar.

Regarding claim 11, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the call management system of claim 8, wherein the quality-of-service parameters are sent to a packet data serving node (Fig. #1, Packet-switched, or route data, Col. 1, lines 37-67, Col. 3, lines 46-67) of Virtanen.

Regarding claim 12, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the call management system of claim 8, wherein the application information includes an application data class (Quality of service of data transmission based on service parameters and protocols (Col. 1, lines 8-14, Col. 4, lines 4-29) of Virtanen.

Regarding claim 13, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the call management system of claim 8, wherein the quality-of-service profile includes delay, maximum data rate, and data loss rate information (Col. 5, lines 14-28) of Virtanen.

Regarding claim 14, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the call management system of claim 8, wherein the QoS controller determines the quality-of-service profile using a quality-of-service control component (See BTS controller, Col. 1, lines 37-67) of Virtanen.

Regarding claim 16, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the wireless network of claim 15, wherein the QoS controller is a part of a base station controller (See BTS controller, Col. 1, lines 37-67) of Virtanen.

Regarding claim 17, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the wireless network of claim 15, wherein the quality-of-service profile is stored on an authorization server (Fig. #3, Authentication Server #45, [0038-0041]) of Chandrashekhar.

Regarding claim 18, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the wireless network of claim 15, wherein the quality-of-service parameters are sent to a packet data serving node (Fig. #1, Packet-switched, or route data, Col. 1, lines 37-67, Col. 3, lines 46-67) of Virtanen.

Regarding claim 19, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the wireless network of claim 15, wherein the application information includes an application data class (Quality of service of data transmission based on service parameters and protocols (Col. 1, lines 8-14, Col. 4, lines 4-29) of Virtanen.

Regarding claim 20, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the wireless network of claim 15, wherein the quality-of-service profile includes delay, maximum data rate, and data loss rate information (Col. 5, lines 14-28) of Virtanen.

Regarding claim 21, Chandrashekhar and Virtanen teach the wireless network of claim 8, wherein QoS controller determines the quality-of-service profile using a quality-of-service control component (See BTS controller, Col. 1, lines 37-67) of Virtanen.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MICHAEL T. VU whose telephone number is (571)272-8131. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00am - 6:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Charles N. Appiah can be reached on 571-272-7904. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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